



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 177

LCO No. 1086



Referred to Committee on AGING

Introduced by:
(AGE)

AN ACT CONCERNING A COMMUNITY SPOUSE'S ALLOWABLE ASSETS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) For purposes of this
2 section:

3 (1) "Institutionalized spouse" has the same meaning as provided in
4 42 USC 1396r-5(h)(1).

5 (2) "Community spouse" has the same meaning as provided in 42
6 USC 1396r-5(h)(2).

7 (b) The Commissioner of Social Services shall amend the Medicaid
8 state plan to require that the community spouse of an institutionalized
9 spouse receive the maximum community spouse protected amount
10 pursuant to 42 USC 1396r-5(f)(2).

11 (c) The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with
12 the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement the
13 provisions of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To allow the spouse of an institutionalized resident sufficient resources to live independently and avoid costly institutional care.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]